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| Veronique FERRARI et al.   | )<br>Group Art Unit: 1615   |
| Application No.: 09/749,036  | )<br>Examiner: J. VENKAT    |
| Filed: December 28, 2000   | )<br>Confirmation No.: 5474 |
| For: COMPOSITION COMPRISING AT LEAST ONE POLYAMIDE POLYMER AND AT LEAST ONE PASTY FATTY SUBSTANCE AND METHODS FOR USE (AS AMENDED) | )<br>)<br>)<br>)<br>)       |

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- 1. FR 2 804 014 An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language abstract obtained from <a href="mailto:esp@cenet">esp@cenet</a>, which is submitted herewith. This document is believed to be related to Patent Application Publication No. US 2001/0028887 A1.
- 2. FR 2 817 742 An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language abstract obtained from <a href="mailto:esp@cenet">esp@cenet</a>, which is submitted herewith. This document is believed to be related to U.S. Patent No. 6,761,881 B2.
- 3. <u>JP 02/207014</u> An abstract of the disclosure of this document can be found in the English language abstract from Patent Abstracts of Japan, which is submitted herewith.

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